CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

February 27, 2001

The Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) conference call was called to order by board chair, Doug Johnson. Board members available for the call were Amy Benz, Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness, Mike Schatz and Jack Rasmussen. Also available for the call were Amie Zent and Mark Wilson from the Board of Vocational Education and ESPB office personnel, Deb Jensen, Diane Weber and Janet Welk.

Randy Gordon was not available for the conference call.

The conference call was being held regarding the Valley City State University proposal to start a mentoring program for individuals who are currently employed thru the restricted, emergency T/I licensure. Jack stated the criteria from the NCATE group

- 1) content knowledge must be in place before individual is in the classroom
- 2) there must be a placement link of a teacher and a university supervisor
- 3) well laid out mentoring plan
- 4) individual must be paid at the same level as a teacher; and
- 5) individual must meet the same standards prior to receiving regular licensure.

The board felt that these points were covered in the administrative rule draft 67.1-02-04-07.

After much discussion, the board felt that the accountability for supervision was also in place with various groups/individuals being involved. The accountability cited would be:

- 1) Valley City State University
- 2) Local school administration
- 3) Mentoring teacher
- 4) Vocational education
- 5) ESPB.

In addition, the board wanted to change the wording in 67.1-02-04-07, #4 (close supervision) to a minimum of 10 weeks of "close supervision which includes equitable combination of daily meetings or observations". Deb also informed the group that she will include the background check wording in the rules drafts for T/I interim licenses 67.1-02-04-06.

A motion was made by Maryjane to accept 67.1-02-04-06 **T/I interim license** and 67.02-04-07 **interim license clinical practice option**, with the recommended changes. Second by Don. Motion carried. Board members voting yes were Amy Benz, Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness, Mike Schatz and Jack Rasmussen.

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Deb presented two drafts of the changes required in the restricted license rule 67.1-02-05-04, one based on existing rules and one including changes the board moved to make in August, 2000. These changes have not yet gone thru the hearing process. Jack made a motion to adopt the rule including both the August changes and the changes proposed for this conference call. Second by Bev. Motion carried. Board members voting yes were Amy Benz, Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness, Mike Schatz and Jack Rasmussen.

Janet had the board members check their calendars regarding the joint meeting with Higher Education. The date of June 20th, which was suggested by Higher Ed, was a date that did not work for the board members. It was suggested that the afternoon of June 19th would be better.

Arnie Zent and Mark Wilson expressed their appreciation in working with the board regarding the clinical practice experience for the T/I individuals.

The conference call ended at 3:45.

Chair 2/27/01 Secretary/Executive Director

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